

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1357

By Crider

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Elliott's Music Store of Milan.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those exemplary institutions embedded in the very fabric of their community that, through an abiding commitment to excellence, are a credit to this State; and

WHEREAS, Elliott's Music Store of Milan is one such institution which uniformly evinces the principles of excellence to which all businesses aspire; and

WHEREAS, a "mom and pop shop" on Milan's historic Main Street, Elliott's Music Store, under the estimable ownership of Sheril and Oteen Elliott, has served the local community since its founding in 1965; and

WHEREAS, the only store in Milan that sells musical instruments, including guitars, mandolins, fiddles, banjos, and accessories, Elliott's Music Store also sells supplements and nutritional supplies and houses a Western Union; additionally, the Elliotts have offered t-shirt printing and sold concert tickets; and

WHEREAS, every Saturday morning local musicians gather to "pick and grin," performing bluegrass, country, and gospel music; and

WHEREAS, Elliott's Music Store originally commenced as an electronics business on Front Street, where Oteen Elliott repaired television sets; a year later the Elliotts moved to Main Street and started stocking guitars along with the records they were already selling; and

WHEREAS, to advertise their burgeoning music business, the Elliotts created a Saturday morning music show during which Mr. Elliott, co-workers, and friends formed a band and played instruments; broadcast every Saturday morning for thirty minutes on WKBJ radio, the show ran until 1972 and attracted people from the surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, throughout its illustrious history, Elliott's Music Store has served countless residents of Milan and surrounding communities, and its dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Elliott's Music Store for its professional expertise and honorable service to the good people of Tennessee, as we extend to everyone associated with the business our best wishes for every continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.